BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND
SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES
January 24, 2020
Department of Mental Health
And Substance Abuse Services
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Board members present:
Courtney Knoblock, MPA
Hossein Moini
Rebecca Newman-German
Shannon O’Doherty
Jeanne Russell, Ed.D.
Kristin Stacy, J.D.
Kari Stompurd, M.Ed.
Carisa Wilsie, Ph.D.

Others present:
Terri White, Commissioner, ODMHSAS
Durand Crosby, ODMHSAS
Carrie Slatton-Hodges, ODMHSAS
Destiny Ellis, Peoples Family Counseling
Stacy Armitage, Pivot, Inc.
Karen Harrison, Western Plains Youth Services
Melissa Miller, ODMHSAS
Lynette Jones, ODMHSAS
Anna Hatchell, Tri-City Youth and Family Center
Mary Gates, Tri-City Youth and Family Center
OA Cargill, Court Assistance Programs
Don Anderson, CHCOK
Chris Duncan, New Hope Counseling and Guidance Center
Jeff Walker, New Hope Counseling and Guidance Center
Carrie McCoy, Gateway to Prevention and Recovery Services
John Schneider, Youth and Family Services
Amber Danielson, The LPC Group
Rea Book, Tulsa LCSW (Ret)
Sidney Van Wyk Lee, eCapitol
Lindsay Horn, ODMHSAS

T Penn Moore, Tulsa Boys’ Home
Susan Donnelly, ODMHSAS
Isabella Lawson, Community Health Centers
Todd McDowell, Absolute Confidential Counseling
Leondra Moore, Community Health Center
Theodis Manning, Sr., Another Chance Counseling Agency
Christopher Kelle, Tulsa Boys’ Home
Kendra Lauderdale, New Opportunities Waiting
Paula Knox, Affinity Counseling Services
Christina Green, ODMHSAS
Heather Hails, Deaconess Pregnancy & Adoption Services
Carol Stocking, WPYFS
Dustin Robins, ODMHSAS
Carol Ladd, ODMHSAS
Kia Scales, New Opportunities Waiting
Lolu Edwards, Home Care Advisors
Henry Hartsell, ODMHSAS
Mary Wickstrom, Court Assistance Programs
Jeff Dismukes, ODMHSAS
Elisha Jahnke, ODMHSAS
Kristi Duncan, New Hope Counseling and Guidance Center  
Crystal Walker, New Hope Counseling and Guidance Center  
Michael Hanes, Arcadia Trails INTEGRIS  
Kimberly Feronti-Dickinson, The LPC Group  
Angie Patterson, ODMHSAS  
Puettise Phet, OMES-SCART  
Linda Compton, Second Chance and Reentry Services  
Jo-Ann Richardson, NARCONON  
Denise Wilson, ORALA  
Steven Fritz, Human Skills and Resources  
Shawn McCarty, ODMHSAS  
Hannah Hawkins, ODMHSAS  
Gina Fredman, Focus Mental Health Services  
Heath Hayes, ODMHSAS  
Representative Marcus McEntire, OK House of Representatives

CALL TO ORDER
Ms. Knoblock called the meeting to order and introduced incoming Board Member, Shannon O’Doherty.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 27, 2019, BOARD MEETING
Mr. Moini moved to approve the September 27, 2019, minutes. Dr. Wilsie seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock  Yes  Ms. Stacy  Yes
Mr. Moini  Yes  Ms. Stomprud  Yes
Ms. O’Doherty  Abstain  Dr. Wilsie  Yes

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PROGRAM CERTIFICATION RECOMMENDATIONS
Durand Crosby, Chief of Staff and Operations, presented the programs recommended for approval listed on Attachment A as follows:

Alcohol and Drug Treatment Programs
A. Permit for Temporary Operation
Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Court Assistance Programs, Inc., Oklahoma City; and Narconon of Oklahoma, Inc. dba Narconon Arrowhead, Canadian.

Mr. Moini moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Stacy seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock  Yes  Ms. Stacy  Yes
Mr. Moini  Yes  Ms. Stomprud  Yes
Ms. O’Doherty  Yes  Dr. Wilsie  Yes
B. Certification with Special Distinction
Certification with special distinction was recommended for: CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Claremore, Oklahoma City, Shawnee, Pawnee; Jim Taliaferro Community Mental Health Center, Lawton; and Moore Youth and Family Services, Inc., Moore.

Dr. Wilsie moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Stomprud seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock Yes Ms. Stacy Yes
Mr. Moini Yes Ms. Stomprud Yes
Ms. O'Doherty Yes Dr. Wilsie Yes

C. Certification with Distinction
Certification with distinction was recommended for: Tulsa Boys' Home, Inc., Sand Springs.

Ms. O'Doherty moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced program. Mr. Moini seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock Yes Ms. Stacy Yes
Mr. Moini Yes Ms. Stomprud Yes
Ms. O'Doherty Yes Dr. Wilsie Yes

D. Two-Year Certification
Two-year certification was recommended for: Arcadia Trails INTEGRIS Center for Addiction Recovery, Edmond; Oklahoma Counseling and Intervention Center, L.L.C., Oklahoma City; Our House MHSA, Inc., Davis; Pivot, Inc., Oklahoma City; Tri-City Youth and Family Center, Inc., Choctaw; Unity Point Counseling and Resource Center, Inc., Ada; and Youth Services of Tulsa, Inc., Tulsa.

Dr. Wilsie moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock Yes Ms. Stacy Yes
Mr. Moini Yes Ms. Stomprud Yes
Ms. O'Doherty Yes Dr. Wilsie Yes

E. One-Year Certification
One-year certification was recommended for: Second Chance and Reentry Services, Inc., El Reno; and YCO Tulsa, Inc., Tulsa.
Dr. Crosby stated that Youth and Family Services, Inc., El Reno was scheduled today but they have requested to be tabled for this meeting and wish to come before the Board at the next meeting.

Mr. Moini moved to approve one-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Stacy seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

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**Comprehensive Community Addiction Recovery Center Programs**

**A. Permit for Temporary Operation**

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Community Health Centers, Inc., Spencer, Oklahoma City, Langston, Shawnee, Carney.

Ms. O'Doherty moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced programs. Dr. Wilsie seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

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**B. Certification with Special Distinction**

Certification with special distinction was recommended for: CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Sapulpa; and Human Skills and Resources, Inc., Tulsa, Claremore, Sapulpa.

Ms. Stomprud moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced programs. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

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**Opioid Substitution Treatment Programs**

**A. Two-Year Certification**

Two-year certification was recommended for: Southern Oklahoma Treatment Services, Inc., Ardmore, Mead.

Mr. Moini moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Dr. Wilsie seconded the motion.
ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock Yes Ms. Stacy Yes
Mr. Moini Yes Ms. Stomprud Yes
Ms. O’Doherty Yes Dr. Wilsie Yes

Outpatient Mental Health Treatment Programs
A. Permit for Temporary Operation
Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Deaconess Pregnancy & Adoption Services, L.L.C., Oklahoma City; Impact Counseling Center, L.L.C., Noble; New Day Recovery Youth & Family Services, Inc., Oklahoma City; Peoples Family Counseling, L.L.C., Oologah; and The LPC Group, L.L.C., Norman.

Ms. O’Doherty moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced programs. Dr. Wilsie seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock Yes Ms. Stacy Yes
Mr. Moini Yes Ms. Stomprud Yes
Ms. O’Doherty Yes Dr. Wilsie Yes

B. Certification with Distinction
Certification with distinction was recommended for: Affinity Counseling Services, L.L.C., Edmond; Community Adolescent Rehabilitation Effort (CARE) for Change, Inc., Oklahoma City; Counseling Solutions & Interventions, Inc., Oklahoma City; Fundamentals Counseling Services, L.L.C., Westville; Moore Family Therapy, L.L.C., Moore; Reach for the Light, Inc. dba The Enrichment Center, Oklahoma City; Serenity Counseling, Inc., Poteau; TLC Foundation, Oklahoma City; and Western Plains Youth and Family Services, Inc., Woodward, Oklahoma, Guymon, Laverne.

Ms. Stacy moved to approve certification with distinction for the above referenced programs. Mr. Moini seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock Yes Ms. Stacy Yes
Mr. Moini Yes Ms. Stomprud Yes
Ms. O’Doherty Yes Dr. Wilsie Yes

Ms. Knoblock recognized CARE for Change for being 100% compliant on all the standards and they are eligible to receive a refund of their certification fee.

C. Two-Year Certification
Two-year certification was recommended for: Absolute Confidential Counseling, P.L.L.C., Oklahoma City; Another Chance Counseling Agency, Inc., Midwest City; Cherry Tree Counseling, P.L.L.C., Poteau; Chris King Counseling Services, L.L.C., Tulsa, Owasso, Pryor; CorAspire Mental Health and Wellness Center, Inc.,
Edmond; Courage Counseling Center, L.L.C., Edmond; CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Miami; CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Shawnee; Family Hope House, Inc., Tulsa; Focus Mental Health Services, L.L.C., Shawnee; Full Life Family Resource Center, L.L.C., Broken Bow; Gilead Counseling Center, L.L.C., Tulsa; Healing Hearts Counseling & Consulting, L.L.C., Hugo; HomeCare Advisors, L.L.C. dba Pinnacle Care, Durant; Looking Up Counseling, L.L.C., Madill; New Hope Counseling and Guidance Center, L.L.C., Poteau; New Opportunities Waiting, L.L.C., Oklahoma City; Oklahoma Counseling and Intervention Center, L.L.C., Oklahoma City; Second Chance and Reentry Services, Inc., Mustang; The Mind, Heart & Soul Counseling, L.L.C., Lawton; YCO Tulsa, Inc., Ada, Wewoka; and Youth and Family Services of Washington County, Inc., Bartlesville.

Dr. Wilsie moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Stomprud seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock Yes Ms. Stacy Yes
Mr. Moini Yes Ms. Stomprud Yes
Ms. O'Doherty Yes Dr. Wilsie Yes

Community Mental Health Center Programs
A. Two-Year Certification
Two-year certification was recommended for: Mental Health Services of Southern Oklahoma, Inc. dba Lighthouse Behavioral Wellness Centers, Ada, Ardmore, Durant, Lindsay, Pauls Valley, Seminole, Tishomingo.

Ms. Stomprud moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock Yes Ms. Stacy Yes
Mr. Moini Yes Ms. Stomprud Yes
Ms. O'Doherty Yes Dr. Wilsie Yes

Community-Based Structured Crisis Center Programs
A. Two-Year Certification
Two-year certification was recommended for: Mental Health Services of Southern Oklahoma, Inc. dba Lighthouse Behavioral Wellness Centers, Ardmore.

Ms. O'Doherty moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced program. Mr. Moini seconded the motion.
ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock  Yes  Ms. Stacy          Yes
Mr. Moini     Yes  Ms. Stomprud       Yes
Ms. O'Doherty Yes  Dr. Wilsie        Yes

Community Residential Mental Health Programs
A. Certification with Distinction
Certification with distinction was recommended for: Edna Lee’s Room & Board, Inc. dba Edna Lee’s Residential Care, Vinita; and Spears Management Co., Inc., dba Firm Foundation Residential Care Home.

Mr. Moini moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced programs. Dr. Wilsie seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock  Yes  Ms. Stacy          Yes
Mr. Moini     Yes  Ms. Stomprud       Yes
Ms. O'Doherty Yes  Dr. Wilsie        Yes

Ms. Knoblock recognized Spears Management Co., Inc. dba Firm Foundation Residential Care Home for being 100 percent compliant on all standards and they are eligible to receive a refund of their certification fee.

B. One-Year Certification
One-year certification was recommended for: Chase E Inc. dba 3C Old Fashion Boarding Home, Prague; Duncan Community Residence, Inc., Duncan; and Meadow Brook Residential Care Facility, L.L.C., Howe.

Ms. O'Doherty moved to approve one-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Dr. Wilsie seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock  Yes  Ms. Stacy          Yes
Mr. Moini     Yes  Ms. Stomprud       Yes
Ms. O'Doherty Yes  Dr. Wilsie        Yes

Dr. Russell arrived at the meeting.

DISCUSSION REGARDING REPORT FROM COMMISSIONER
Board Chair Knoblock thanked Dr. Crosby and Commissioner White for their site visits. Ms. Knoblock indicated that in the future the Board will be provided two additional pieces of information that will give them a clearer distinction between children and adult services on the write-ups and also have clarification on the definition of incidents and details related to the corrective action related to the incidents.
Commissioner White extended thanks to the Provider Certification Division who are the individuals traveling to our provider locations to perform site visits.

Commissioner White recognized and welcomed Representative Marcus McEntire to the Board meeting.

Commissioner White welcomed our new Board member, Ms. O’Doherty.

2019 Zarrow Mental Health Symposium – (Speaker) – Commissioner White spoke of her opportunity to speak at the Zarrow Mental Health Symposium, a national conference held in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Commissioner White stated that the Zarrow Foundation is a leader in cutting edge best practices in mental health and addiction issues.

ODMHSAS November Cultural Competency Luncheon – Commissioner White attended a brown bag luncheon at our Central Office where we host a different speaker each month. In November, we celebrated Native American History month and we had the Oklahoma City Mayor, David Holt, who is Native American as our speaker. He shared about the MAPS 4 Initiative. After the lunch, Mayor Holt took a tour of the Oklahoma County Crisis Intervention Center as part of preparing for MAPS 4. He witnessed the importance of urgent care for those in crisis.

Commissioner White spoke about several meetings she attended: Bob Ravitz, Oklahoma County Chief Public Defender; Lou Carmichael, Executive Director, Variety Care Family Health, one of the largest Community Health Centers; Jimmy Leonard, CEO, Wagoner Hospital, one of the few private hospitals that still chooses to operate a psychiatric unit; Debra Gist, Superintendent, Tulsa Public Schools; Zarrow Family Foundation, and many others across the community that work closely with us to make sure we are all looking at evidence based early intervention to help meet the needs of kids where they are, which is often in a school setting.

Commissioner White indicated there are several agencies requesting partnerships with our agency, which is historic, and we are making lots of progress in this area.

Red Ribbon Kickoff with Joy Hofmeister, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Oklahoma State Department of Education – (Speaker) – Commissioner White stated that this event occurs in the school setting and is an opportunity for schools to talk about substance abuse and prevention. We are encouraging schools to focus on prevention of substance abuse year round with discussions in the school and at home as well. This year, Commissioner White, Superintendent Joy Hofmeister, the DEA and the Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame partnered together and got the Scissortail Bridge and the Myriad Gardens to light up red for the week and begin a media dialogue and discussion between parents and children about substance abuse.
Leadership Oklahoma – Commissioner White stated that she continues to speak at the Leadership groups around the state. She is working on Leadership Duncan and Leadership Enid who will both be at the Capitol during the legislative session. The Leadership events are an opportunity for them to learn more about substance abuse and mental health issues.

Commissioner White stated that discussions surround our partnership with the Oklahoma City Public Schools, called Embrace OKC. There continues to be more work happening with the Oklahoma City Public Schools on that effort.

Lawton/Ft. Sill Chamber of Commerce – (Speaker) – Commissioner White thanked Mr. Moini for the opportunity to speak of our successes at the Chamber luncheon.

Anthony M. Hassan, Ed.D., LCSW, CEO and President, and Jerry Altieri, Jr., Vice President, Network Growth, Cohen Veterans Network – The Veteran’s population at Lawton and Ft. Sill are at the top of the discussions as they had not heard about the Cohen Veterans Network. The Cohen Veterans Network is a national organization that works to serve veterans that are falling through the cracks when it comes to mental health and substance abuse services. They have chosen to locate in Oklahoma City and Lawton beginning this year. Deputy Commissioner, Carrie Slatton-Hodges, had several meetings with the Cohen Veterans Network along with the National Guard and the Department of Veterans Affairs and recognized we are the largest per capita population of men and women who served our country, which means we have a lot of need for services.

The Oklahoma Academy for State Goals – (also known as the Oklahoma Academy) – Commissioner White stated that the Oklahoma Academy for State Goals is a nonpartisan body made up of leaders from across the state including policymakers and business leaders. This was a three-day event that tackles policy recommendations about specific issues or problems facing the state. This year, they are focusing on mental health and requested Commissioner White talk about the mental health and substance abuse needs in the state and what would be helpful for them to focus on. A town hall will take place this summer and they encourage others to attend.

Opioid Lawsuit – Commissioner White explained that Michael Hunter, Oklahoma Attorney General, Greg Mashburn, District Attorney, Cleveland, Garvin and McClain Counties, have filed another Opioid lawsuit. Because our department has an incredible amount of data, we had several people who were deposed by opposite sides of the pharmaceutical companies and it is clear by the outcome that the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services did an incredible job explaining why we are one of the top treatment centers for the opioid crisis in the United States. This agency will be called on again and we will do whatever we are asked on behalf of the state.
Criminal Justice Reform – Oklahoma had the largest single day commutation in the United States. There were 450 individuals released from prison for crimes that are no longer felony crimes. As part of the release plan, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and the Department of Corrections partnered together to ensure these individuals would be connected to the services they needed upon release. Nisha Wilson, Director, Criminal Justice Services, worked to assist with every single transaction there was in the state. The Department of Corrections said they couldn't have done it without our assistance.

Oklahoma Department of Human Services and First Lady Sarah Stitt’s showing of the film “Resilience” and Presentation by Dr. Chan Hellman, co-author of the life-changing book, Hope Rising – The film is about trauma and resiliency in childhood and the film is making its way around the state in partnership with the First Lady, Sarah Stitt.

The Oklahoma Department of Corrections 2nd Annual Public Safety Forum – (Panel Speaker) – Commissioner White had the honor to be on the panel to talk about the importance of mental health and substance abuse issues around diversion and criminal justice. Those two issues, along with trauma, are really the key issues if we are going to address criminal justice in our state.

2019 Employee Appreciation Celebration – Commissioner White stated that this is the event we raise money for all year to honor our employees for their work in many different categories. One of the special recipients this year was the Good Samaritan Award given to the Chief of Police from Stigler for his work with people who are in a mental health crisis in their community.

Commissioner White gave a special thanks to Dr. Wilsie, Ms. Stacy and Ms. Knoblock for the Board’s support to our employees at this time of celebration.

DISCUSSION REGARDING BOARD SUBCOMMITTIES
Commissioner White stated that she had a chance to visit with the Governor’s office for clarification about the vision of this board working along with the House and the Senate. They indicated that we should continue as we had prior to the change in statute making the Commissioner report to the Governor. This means the Board will have four subcommittees focusing on important key areas of department operations. The four subcommittees are: The Performance Improvement Subcommittee, the Corporate Accountability Subcommittee, the Finance Subcommittee, and the Provider Certification Subcommittee. It is requested that every Board member serve on at least one Subcommittee. There will be at least four members per subcommittee. Angie will send out an email for Board members to indicate which subcommittee they are interested in serving on, and then the chair will appoint members to the subcommittees.
DISCUSSION REGARDING THE REPORT FROM PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Dr. Wilsie stated that the Performance Improvement Subcommittee met on January 21st which discussed the Oklahoma Drug Courts Using Data to Support Performance Improvement. It was presented by Nisha Wilson, Director of Criminal Justice Services and David Wright, Director of Decision Support Services. They discussed how drug courts are the most researched interventions in the criminal justice system, with Oklahoma being the national leader in this program. The drug court programs in Oklahoma were started in 1995 and are currently operating in 73 of our 77 counties. They are highly structured programs and combine accountability with individualized treatment services. The ODMHSAS issues contracts with the courts and the treatment providers to operate the drug court programs consistent with the national best practice standards. Other positive drug court program outcomes include a 96% drop in unemployment, a 134% jump in monthly income, a 109% increase in participants with private health insurance, and 90% of graduates are able to live with their children once again. In addition, a study of over 4,000 graduates monitored for five years demonstrated earnings of better than $204 million. That resulted in an estimated $6.1 million in tax revenue paid to the state. Had the graduates been incarcerated instead of in drug court, it would have cost the state an additional $191.6 million, which would be an average sentence of three years each.

THE ODMHSAS MEETING WAS TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED AT 9:55 a.m. TO MOVE INTO THE LAND TRUST MEETING.

THE ODMHSAS BOARD MEETING RECONVENED AT 10:00 a.m.

PRESENTATION

Smart on Crime – Commissioner White presented as follows:

The Smart on Crime is especially important to talk about heading into the legislative session with the attention on Criminal Justice Reform. Smart on Crime addresses the impact of the untreated and under addressed behavior health services in Oklahoma and the opportunities to reduce negative consequences across the state.

An estimated 64% of Oklahoma prison inmates have a history of exhibiting some form of mental illness. Also 35% of the people who walk in the front door of a prison are there for a drug or alcohol offense. One of the most alarming facts that are 82% of the people incarcerated in the Oklahoma Department of Corrections (DOC) that are non-violent offenders are in prison with a mental health or substance abuse need. An alarming 73% of inmates, according to DOC, who have substance abuse treatment needs were released in FY18 without any treatment being provided.

The DOC has predicted that unless something changes, it will completely change these numbers. The DOC projects that the prison population over the next 10
years is going to grow by 25% and that would cost an estimated $2 million to Oklahoma taxpayers. This just heightens the fact that there is a better way. The average cost for all of our services, and all of our people in Oklahoma that are served through Medicaid and this department is $2,000 a year per person. That is inpatient, that is outpatient, that is all the diversion programs we provide. The cost for Drug Court is about $5,000 a year per person and $5,400 for Mental Health Court. When these programs aren’t available or if they are full, just one person showing up in a hospital, that hospitalization cost is about $15,000 for the one visit. One individual incarcerated in the Department of Corrections cost taxpayers about $19,000 a year. We could have four people in Mental Health Court or Drug Court for that amount of money.

The Legislature made a huge investment in Smart on Crime. They invested $10 million to make a giant step towards eliminating the residential substance treatment waiting list for our state. We are confident we will eliminate more than 75% of the waiting list with that investment. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Services introduced the Smart on Crime proposal that has interventions across the spectrum of Criminal Justice from early interventions to reintegration from people who are walking out the door of prison.

Smart on Crime – Commissioner White explained that it is based on a sequential intercept model which says there are six points along the criminal justice continuum that can divert people with evidence based mental health and substance abuse services. Commissioner White explained each of these points in further detail:

- Pre-booking
- Initial Detention and Booking
- Post-booking and Initial Hearing
- Position and Sentencing
- While incarcerated
- Reintegration

The Smart on Crime is also an approach to invest in mental health and substance abuse services that will benefit Oklahoma families and the state as a whole. Our continued inability to address all the needs of criminal justice means there are people who are ending up in the prison system being released from prison without their needs being met.

Commissioner White stated that Senator Brian Crain and Senate staff, Timothy Quinton Dilbeck, said if you invest in this program and its costs, it will be approximately $108 million a year. If we invest $108 million for this program for five years, we would actually have a net savings of $233 million at the end of five years because of how much money we would save in the Department of Corrections. If we fully invest in the program for five years, by year three, we will
break even. The first two years are getting people the services they need and then you are starting the diversion. We are incredibly proud of this program.

PRESENTATION
Commissioner White introduced Kerri McCoy, Certified Peer Recovery Support Specialist and a Behavioral Health Wellness Coach at Gateway to Prevention Recovery, Shawnee.

Ms. McCoy gave a moving presentation of her life, the obstacles she overcame and her road to recovery.

NEW BUSINESS
No new business.

ADJOURNMENT
Ms. O’Doherty moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Moini seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
Ms. Knoblock  Yes  Ms. Stacy  Yes
Mr. Moini     Yes  Ms. Stomprud  Yes
Ms. O’Doherty Yes  Dr. Wilsie  Yes
Dr. Russell   Yes

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